

THE WAR OF THE CRISPINS

PREPARING FOR AN ATTACK UPON THE NON-STRICKERS

**Ferguson and his Gang Clearing Out Mr
Poe's Shop, 66 Cortlandt Street - Non
Society Men Assaulted near Fulton Ferry
-The Police Force Ordered Out.**

The Crispin excitement is on the increase. The respectable and intelligent society men have been asked to give up their seats in the cars for the course pursued by the mob. The respectable Crispins say that it was a needless strike, and that the question of wages was involved; and that it was instigated solely by Patrick Ferguson, Sir Knight of the Crispins.

John Poe, a shoe manufacturer on the fourth floor of a tall building in Nassau street, employs twenty "teams" of non-society men. A "team" is five men, each making a separate part of a shoe. If one stops working the other four are necessarily thrown out of work. On Tuesday evening Patrick Ferguson, having resolved to go to Mr. Poe's shop, called on him at his home, and he was promptly played there, collected about fifty Crispins, and at 5 o'clock the gang went to Mr. Poe's shop and ordered the workmen, at the peril of their lives,

Mr. Poe wanted to know by what authority he entered his shop and dictated to his employees. Ferguson replied that he would put a head on him if he didn't hold his tongue. Mr. Poe told his employees were not disposed to submit to such outrageous proceedings, and prepared to defend themselves.

Ferguson pulled the rest of his gang, who were armed with revolvers, knives and clubs over his head, and they threatened the first man who refused to go out. His confederates brandished their pistols and drew their pocket makers' knives. The ten negro men, according to him, it was useless to resist fifty armed whites, so they all went out. Ferguson then smashed everything they could lay their hands on.

Yesterday morning Mr. Poe informed Capt. Cherry what had happened, and asked for protection. He called on the police officers, James Thompson and Hittman and several other officers to guard Mr. Poe's shop. The officers were stationed

but the detectives learned that the employment of the men in the busses, and ordered them away. Mr. Poe's employees did not go to work yesterday for fear of the riot. Mr. Poe said that he had 100 workmen in their places.

Ferguson called at the Chambers street police station where Sergeant Seibert was in charge. Superintendent Kelsa had given them the order. He was told that it was none of his business.

To prevent any undue excitement by the appearance of a large uniformed police force, Captain McQuinn, who was in charge of the force, dressed under Sergeant Haggerty and Roundsman Wessner, with Detective McDonald, and Captain Seibert. They were ordered to go to the riot by their own personal command. These were scattered along the route to Fulton. Ferguson, who was in charge of the riot, and the Broadway squad were also at hand, and two

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nothing whatever to do with the trouble at Mr. Tasker's shop. He further said that he is a manufacturer, and has been in the shoe trade for several years. He had a friend working in Mr. Tasker's shop, and he had been there for many years, never worked there himself, and is not a member of the Crispin order. During the last few weeks he made several visits to Mr. Tasker's shop to see his friend. The Crispins supposed that he was working there, or trying to get work there, and he was assaulted him as mentioned in yesterday's Story.

Mr. Boyd said that he had received threatening letters warning him not to work in Mr. Tasker's shop from some unknown persons. He was also personally warned by two men un-

Superintendent Kelso gave orders yesterday morning to Sergeant Crollus, of the Third Ward, to turn out the whole force under his command if necessary to keep the peace, and to arrest all persons who show any disposition to create a disturbance.

FLASHES FROM THE OCEAN CABLES.
The Count de Chambord was hissed by the populace at Berchtesgaden.
The International Society is reported to be organizing strikes with the object of rescuing the international apostles in Vienna.
More French men-of-war have been hired out to France than a steamship to go against a newspaper expedition.

LOSSES BY FIRE.
Artemus Cummings's dwelling in Westford

A large barn owned by Miss Hayes at Summit, N. J., eight horses six head of cattle, and a large quantity of grain were burned. The loss is \$560.

Christian Ballerson's carriage manufactory, 25 Third avenue, Brooklyn, was burned yesterday. The top floor was occupied by a lodge of the Grand Army, No. 530. The loss on the building and stock is \$25,000 insured for \$15,000.

NEW JERSEY.

A 17 charter for Hoboken was introduced in

Chief of Police Mr. Williams of Jersey City yesterday emphasized Capt. Parker, Detective Gennaro, and a streamlin' tapper of the United Fruitful. They are accused of retaining for yet a man arrested for doing business without license.

The City of Brooklyn is in.

The nomination of Dr. Vanderpoel to be Health Officer of this port was yesterday confirmed by the senate.

The Board of Health yesterday resolved to compel the removal of all nuisances in the city by the last of April next.

The Tailors' Society last night unanimously voted for the opening of the Taylor Institute library and reading room on Sundays.

Yesterday afternoon James McMahon, a laborer

The crowd at 7th Broadway yesterday, waiting to try the watches of the two watch company, was, if possible, greater than that of those who did not want to be before on the Hall trial.

A meeting in aid of the Cleburne Hospital for Women and Children will be held in the New York Inn, 125 Second avenue, at 8 o'clock this afternoon. Addresses will be made by J. H. Bellows, Pittsburg, and Yung, Jr.

Jackson, Fowler, and Morrissey announce another grand company evening concert in the Grand Opera House, 101 N. Main. The entire Muller-Fabrizi Grand Opera Company, the Full Ninth Regiment Band, the three-piece group—Mina, Fabrizio, Miss Anna Bishop, and Miss Anna Peri, Levy, the concert, Muller, the grand orchestra, and other first-class artists will take part.